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- 1. REGRET DELAY REPLY TO REFTEL. ASSUMED IT WAS ANSWERED BY TARAKI LTRS OF APRIL 24 AND APRIL 27.
- 2. TARAKI EARLY MAY SUFFERED MINOR STROKE WHICH CONFINED HIM TO HIS HOME. HE IS CONTINUING TO WORK FROM HIS HOME, BUT EMBOFFS HAVE NOT SEEN HIM OFTEN. HE IS NOW AMBULATORY AND IS SPENDING SOME TIME IN OFFICE & COURTS.
- 3. TARAKI STATES HE IS UNSURE WHAT CONDITIONS YOU WANTED MENTIONED. KABUL 440 CORRECTLY STATED CONDITIONS EXISTING AT THAT TIME. SINCE THEN, TARAKI HAS SENT A NUMBER OF LETTERS TO LIPPMAN CITING PROGRESS ON RESOLVING CONDITIONS- E.G., REGISTRATION OF THE "THAZMEEN" IN THE TAX OFFICE & LOCAL COURT OF BAGRAMI. TARAKI'S OPINION REMAINS THAT BASIC CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN MET, BUT A NUMBER OF CONDITIONS REMIAN FOR A "CLEAN" RECORD. HIS LETTER OF APRIL 27, 1975, IS LATES STATEMENT OF CONDITIONS REMAINING. IF, IN OPINION OF OPIC COUNSEL, ANY OF THESE CONDITIONS CAN BE DISREGARDED, DR. TARAKI IS WILLING, SINCE MOST ARE MINOR, BUT THIS LETTER REPRESENTS HIS BEST ASSESSMENT OF CURRENT DEFICIENCIES. NOTE: YAQUBS HAVE STILL NOT OBTAINED A LAWYER, SO TARAKI STILL FINDS HIMSELF IN UNCLASSIFIED

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POSITION OF TRYING TO URGE THEM TO TAKE ACTIONS TO

SATISFY CONDITIONS HE SETS.

4. DR. TARAKI HAS NOT YET RECEIVED PAYMENT FOR SERVICES THROUGH MARCH, 1975. APPRECIATE ADVICE. HIS LETTER OF APRIL 24 CONSTITUTES RESPONSE TO REF B CONCERNING TERMS FOR FUTURE COMPENSATION. ELIOT

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